

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Farm Service Agency  
Washington, DC 20250

**Notice PL-114**

**For:** State and County Offices

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**Executing CCC-526 Using FSA-211**

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**Approved by:** Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



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**1 1-CM, Subparagraph 728 H**

**A Background**

Issuance of 1-CM, Amendment 9 added subparagraph 728 H, "Executing CCC-526 to Certify Adjusted Gross Income", to provide procedure for completing FSA-211 when the grantor wishes to grant authority to execute CCC-526 on their behalf. Many inquiries have been received about the validity of CCC-526's obtained using FSA-211 before this amendment was issued.

**B Purpose**

This notice clarifies the procedure for using FSA-211 to execute CCC-526.

**C Payment Eligibility**

Effective for FY 2003, compliance with the \$2.5 million average adjusted gross income (AGI) limitation is required to be eligible for DCP payments, marketing loan gains, and conservation program payments. As provided in 1-PL, subparagraph 630 A, certification of AGI compliance can be accomplished using CCC-526.

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**Disposal Date**

October 1, 2003

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**Distribution**

State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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**1 1-CM, Subparagraph 728 H (Continued)**

**D Using FSA-211 to Execute CCC-526**

Completing FSA-211 allows one party to designate another party to perform various functions related to participation in programs administered by FSA. The party which authorized the attorney-in-fact with FSA-211 is responsible for the contractual obligations and payment eligibility requirements as if they had signed the documents. However, parties authorized by FSA-211 to sign program documents on behalf of others, committing them to program requirements, may not be fully aware of all information about these other parties, particularly financial status.

1-CM, subparagraph 728 H, was added to make participants fully aware of the obligations associated with using FSA-211 as it pertains to certifying average AGI.

However, many CCC-526's were signed using the authority of FSA-211's executed before the addition of 1-CM, subparagraph 728 H. Accordingly, the following apply:

- all CCC-526's executed using FSA-211 before the effective date of this revision, March 18, 2003, are valid
- all FSA-211's used to execute CCC-526's after March 18, 2003, must specify, "Executing CCC-526", in item 7, "Other".